

Official Meeting/Briefing Request for the RA / DRA

RA Use Only: ☐ Accepted ☐ Reject ☐ Pending

*****DD/DDD Concurrence:** You must inform your Division's Director/Deputy Director that you are scheduling this meeting***

Date of Request: 05/01/2020

Requestor: Thomas McGill **Phone No.:** 2-9243

Name of Meeting: Pre-Brief for meeting with AA for OW re: Biological Assessment for FL 404 Assumption

Purpose of Meeting: Pre-brief the RA prior to a meeting that is concurrently being scheduled (see separate meeting request from today) with the AA for OW on the status of the State of Florida's development of a Biological Assessment as part of their effort to develop an application package to assume the CWA Section 404 program.

Have you briefed your Director: ☒ Yes

Is the Meeting Date Sensitive? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Deadline Date: prior to meeting with by May 15, 2020.
Meeting Date/Time Preference #1	Date/time: Anytime after 5/4/20 that the RA and the WDD (or Deputy DD) are available.

Duration of Meeting: 1 hour (if one-hour is not possible, we will take any time we can get)

Background: EPA staff are maintaining regular communication with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) regarding the State's pursuit of Clean Water Act Section 404 assumption. On April 28, 2020, FDEP shared a second draft of a Biological Assessment (BA) that they developed in their role as a non-federal representative to conduct informal consultation for this effort pursuant to the Endangered Species Act. FDEP had shared an initial draft of the BA with the EPA, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Marine Fisheries Service on February 25, 2020. **FDEP is requesting comments on the second draft of the BA by May 28, 2020.**

Briefing materials: Briefing materials will be provided prior to the meeting.

Expectations from Meeting Prepare the RA for the subsequent meeting to be held with the AA for OW.

No. of Participants:	Names of Required Invitees:	Optional Invitees:
9	<u>R4 participants</u> Jeaneanne Gettle, Becky Allenbach Thomas McGill Rosemary Calli Kelly Laycock	

	Leif Palmer Matt Hicks Mita Ghosh Kavita Nagrani	
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Requested Meeting Location:

Will there be any type of computer presentation? No **X**

Requestor will be required to supply laptop computer AND cables